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Created in response to the needs of volunteer, non-profit programs in Alberta, the WILD ROSE FOUNDATION *proved its worth as a new funding source for special projects during 1985.*

WILD ROSE FOUNDATION
FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

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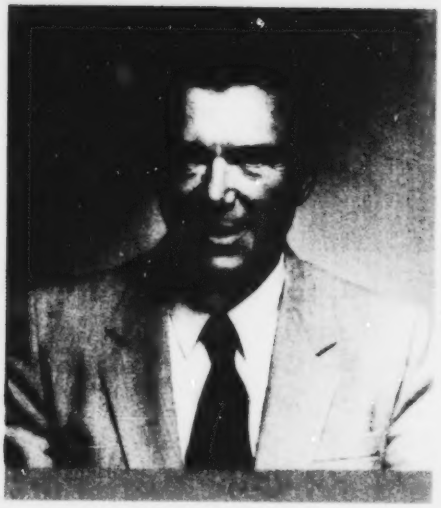
A Report from the Chairman

The Seed is Planted



Following a study in 1983 of the distribution of lottery profits, the Province of Alberta enacted the Wild Rose Foundation Act, assented to on November 13, 1984. This Act created the Wild Rose Foundation, and stipulated that its fiscal year would end on March 31. This is therefore the first report of the Wild Rose Foundation and it relates to the 4 1/2 month period from November 13, 1984 to March 31, 1985.

The purpose of the Foundation is to provide funding to volunteer non-profit organizations that provide necessary and valuable community services to Albertans, provided that these organizations are not in receipt of substantial support from other government-sponsored bodies.

Clearly, the intent of the Act is to provide financial assistance to worthy community projects and programs which do not qualify for funding from the usual sources and which, without financial assistance, might fail or be severely restricted in their endeavours, to the detriment of the community and the Province.

The Foundation is administered by seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. The members represent all parts of the province, being resident in Medicine Hat, Calgary, Edmonton, Whitecourt and Grande Prairie. The chief duty of the members is to review the many applications for assistance received by the Foundation, and, in accordance with the Act and its regulations and their own judgment of merit and need, to decide on the grants to be made to successful applicants.

Meetings are held with reasonable frequency, and every effort is made to deal fairly and expeditiously with applications as they are received. As the members gain experience, the time taken to assess and decide on grant applications will diminish.

During our brief existence, an executive director, Mr. Bernard March, and two assistants have been engaged. An office has been established in Edmonton, and the administrative side of our operation is rapidly taking shape.

We maintain close communication with various Government departments in order properly to assess grant applications, and in order to help foundations to avoid duplicate funding from government sources. A fair amount of time, correspondence and study is necessary to enable Foundation members to make sound decisions which are in accord with the Act, its regulations, and the Foundation's own policies. Nevertheless, our wish is to be efficient rather than bureaucratic, and to be positive rather than indecisive.

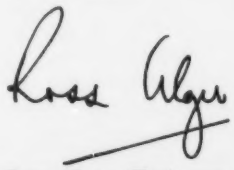
The Act makes no reference to the source of the funds which the foundation is to disburse. In practice the funds come from a share of the profits from the Western Canada Lottery, Alberta Division. An initial endowment of $4.5 million was received by the Wild Rose Foundation from accumulated lottery proceeds; the investment income from this endowment is available to the Foundation. In addition, 5% of certain current lottery profits are received by the Foundation, which income may not exceed $1,000,000 in any one year. Thus, depending upon the success of lotteries, the annual income of the Foundation is likely to be in the million dollar range.

Grants approved to March 31, 1985, were $95,063. To the date of writing, approximately $500,000 in additional grants has been approved. These grants are set out elsewhere in this report. All other grant applications are being processed to obtain the information we need to arrive at a decision, or to refer the applications to other more appropriate funding agencies.

The Foundation's start-up process was greatly facilitated by the support received form the Honourable Bill Payne, Minister without Portfolio to whom we report. In addition, the initiative and direction provided by the Honourable Connie Osterman, Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, was instrumental in the formation of the Foundation. To these Ministers we extend our sincere thanks.

Above all, the Wild Rose Foundation exists to assist Alberta's volunteer, non-profit organizations and the people they serve. Being new at our task, the Foundation's members would appreciate comments and suggestions as to the operation of the Foundation from anyone interested in our efforts.

We believe the Foundation is off to a good start. The forthcoming year should see the enlargement of our activities and a dramatic increase in the programs we assist as we move to discharge our mandate.



Ross Alger, Chairman

Wild Rose in Bloom

During our hectic initial period, the administration has had a dual role to perform. With the members, we have worked to define the aims and policies of the Foundation. At the same time, we have been actively involved in getting the word out to Alberta's volunteer, non-profit groups.

Wild Rose, after all, does not exist simply to encourage Alberta's volunteer spirit, we are here to fund it. By definition, we are a funding source for a wide variety of social, community, health and other programs. It is not a simple matter to reach all of these groups nor the people they represent. Nor has it been easy to anticipate the volume of applications or the nature of funding requests.

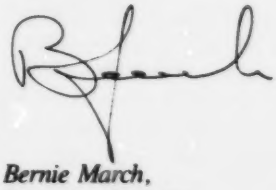
Given the short time span—under five months—I believe we have enjoyed a successful launch. Interest in the Wild Rose Foundation has come from an incredible variety of organizations and people. Some we expected; others we did not.

While we have a responsibility—and desire—to participate in a broad base of non-profit programs, we have, as well, a responsibility to our shareholders: the people of Alberta. We now have in place procedures to help groups apply for funds and to help the Foundation's members decide on grants.

While Foundation members have been working with the approval criteria to decide on the first grants, the administration has undertaken to establish equally meaningful criteria for financial reporting once a project is funded.

We are aware that granting criteria must—in the early years—allow for a certain flexibility and interpretation. Of course, as time passes, the success of the projects we fund now will determine the kinds of programs we fund in the future. So we have defined the ways in which funded projects will be monitored while underway and evaluated when complete.

We're working towards complete co-operation with Alberta's non-profit groups. We're moving as rapidly as possible to distribute our annual share of lottery proceeds. And we'll continue to ensure good revenue-generating performance from our endowment.



Bernie March,
Executive Director

Our First Grants

Grants awarded to March 31, 1985

Canadian Mental Health Association
The Canadian Mental Health Association received $15,365.25 for the purchase of a van which will bring children to camp programs and the Club Community Friends project.

Elizabeth Fry Society
The Elizabeth Fry Society received a $19,698 grant to develop an information program to make junior high school students aware of the consequences of crime, the seriousness of a criminal record, and the procedures in provincial court.

Big Sisters of Edmonton
Edmonton Big Sisters received a $30,000 grant to operate a variety of programs—pre-teen, summer camp, "one-to-one matching"—and to provide training and support for their volunteer big sister.

Edmonton Handi-Bus Association
Edmonton Handi-Bus received $30,000 to provide the major funding for a bus designed and equipped to transport people in wheelchairs.

Grants awarded after March 31, 1985

Norwood Community Service Centre
Norwood C.S.C. received a $14,925 grant to replace an older vehicle with a new bus which will be used primarily to transport senior citizens, kindergarten students and others in their community.

Citizen Advocacy Society of Camrose
The Camrose Society received $12,100 to support the community members who volunteer their time and skills providing comfort and guidance for people living with handicapped conditions.

Westminster Music Society
$5,400 to help send Westminster Junior High stage band to Canadian Stage Band Festival finals in Quebec City.

Crime Stoppers
$30,000 to raise funds to pay "tipster awards" on information that has led to the arrest of a criminal.

Canadian Diabetes Association
(Calgary), $30,000 to expand the camping program for diabetic chidren in Calgary.

Canadian Diabetes Association
(Central & Northern Alberta), $30,000 to provide a full-time nurse at the Diabetic Action Centre, plus counselling and clinic support staff.

Edmonton Safety Council
$30,000 to bring back curtailed programs—Child and Pedestrian safety weeks, Vacation and Back-to-School safety programs.

Between Friends Club
$30,000 for a full-time co-ordinator for two years.

Edmonton Food Bank
$30,000 for special warehouse equipment and expanded facilities to meet increasing demands in Edmonton.

Canadian Ostomy Association
$2,765 to send a delegate to the United Ostomy Assoc. Youth Rally in San Diego and print a brochure.

Yellowhead Humane Society
$21,199 to upgrade the animal shelter and improve care programs.

Manville Hospital Auxiliary
$1,150 to purchase hydroculator and chair and delivery room mirror.

Alberta Women's Institute
$5,529 to 3-day conduct leadership seminar at the Grey Nun Regional Centre.

Goodwill Rehabiliation of Alberta
$30,000 to purchase 2-ton collection truck for donated clothing and household items.

4-H Foundation of Alberta
$30,000 to construct a 90-person dormitory at their Battle Lake camp.

Mimi Luk
$8,059.10 to support her participation in Up With People.

Rimbey Cultural & Recreational Society
$30,000 to complete the community centre's kitchen.

Sexual Assault Centre
(Edmonton), $30,000 to distribute kit and implement program on Child Abuse Research and Education (C.A.R.E.).

Edmonton Horticultural Society
$426.95 to establish a rosebed at a nursing home, to be maintained by high school students and senior citizens.

Round Hill Agricultural Society
$30,000 to remodel and modernize older section of community hall.

Calgary Society for Science & Technology
$24,456 for materials and volunteer training to construct exhibits.

Alberta Society of Archivists
$21,000 to set up displays and purchase archival equipment,

New Works of Art Calgary Society
$1,800 to present a concert of new music.

John Howard Society (Grande Prairie)
$30,000 for a youth and justice resource program.

Breton Playschool Association
$750 for toys and equipment at the playschool in Breton.

Edmonton Association for Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities
$25,500 to organize an educational day camp for learning-disabled children.

Discovery House
(Calgary Family Support Society) To furnish apartments within the shelter (amount not finalized).

Architecture Lecture Series Committee
(Edmonton) $23,348 to provide 24 free public lectures over the next 2 years.

Understanding Our Roots

Wild Rose members meet several times a year to ensure the foundation is fulfilling its mandate and administering its funds as it should. Four times a year members meet specifically to consider all grant applications received within the previous quarter. Because of their individual backgrounds, they are in an excellent position to evaluate applications based on a group or individual's true needs and ability to use that grant effectively. In discussion, from left to right, Dick Wong, Paulette Patterson, Bernie March, Ross Alger, Cay Sexauer, Marie Hohtanz, Glen Chapman and Dianne Birenbaum.

Every effort has been made to ensure the Wild Rose Foundation is responsive to the needs of Alberta's community service projects. To maintain this grass roots approach, the Foundation members were chosen from across the province, selected for their previous experiences as volunteers, community leaders, and members of non-profit organizations.

Ross P. Alger, F.C.A.
Calgary, Chairman.
Treasurer, Calgary Olympic Development Association; Member of Division Council, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award in Canada; Former Mayor of Calgary.

Dianne Birenbaum
Edmonton
Past Member of steering committee for the study of private Schools in Alberta; Former member of the Board of Directors of the Junior League of Edmonton; Volunteer consultant to various non-profit boards; Past Member of the Board of Directors for a day-care program; Various capacities related to community league; Co-author of a position paper on the concept of a children's hospital; Former discussion facilitator for Catalyst Theatre on the topic of child abuse.

Glen Chapman
Medicine Hat
Past President and Past District Governor of the Kinsmen Club; Life Member of Association of Kinsmen Clubs; Past Director of the Cancer Society; Past Public Relations Chairman, Uniroyal World Curling Championship; Honourary Member of Medicine Hat Curling Club; Past Chairman Commercial Section of the United Way; Director of the Medicine Hat Real Estate Board.

Marie Hohtanz
Calgary
Former Chairperson of the Calgary Citizen's Advisory Committee, Correctional Institute; Past Board Member of the Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter; Former Board Member of the John Howard Society; Wide involvement in local theatre groups; as CFCN-TV broadcaster, promoted the volunteer non-profit sector.

Paulette Patterson
Grande Prairie
Founding President John Howard Society, Grande Prairie; Past Traffic Chairman of the United Way; Past Chairman of Charity Auction for the Mentally Handicapped; Past Board Member of the Grande Prairie Crisis Line (Pace); Past President of the Grande Prairie Real Estate Board; Past Executive Member of the Alberta Real Estate Board; Chaired 50th Anniversary of the Redemptorist Priests in Grande Prairie.

Foundation members meet in Edmonton to review a community service grant application: Paulette Patterson, Ross Alger, Glen Chapman, Marie Hohtanz and Cay Sexauer.

Administrative duties within the Foundation are managed by an Executive Director, Bernie March, supported by Joanne Lewis, Administrative Co-ordinator, and other staff.

Cay Sexauer
Whitecourt
Treasurer of the Mannville Hospital Auxiliary, Spruce Grove; actively involved in theatre; Past Member Church Board, Spruce Grove; Sunday School Teacher; Volunteer with Cubs.

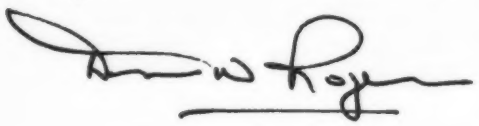
Dick Wong
Edmonton
Past Board Member of the Alberta Ballet School, the Edmonton Art Gallery, and the Northern Light Theatre; Past Chairman of the Mayor's Task Force on Edmonton's Summer Festival; Board Member of Heritage Festival Association; Member of the Board of Governors of the Edmonton Space Science Centre; Director of the Gung Yick Society of Alberta and community organizations.

Auditor's Report

To the Members of The Wild Rose Foundation

I have examined the balance sheet of The Wild Rose Foundation as at March 31, 1985 and the statement of income and surplus for the period November 13, 1984 to March 31, 1985. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as I consider necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Foundation as at March 31, 1985 and the results of its operations for the period then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.



Douglas W. Rogers, F.C.A.
Auditor General
Edmonton, Alberta
July 5, 1985

Balance Sheet

As at March 31, 1985

Assets		
General Fund:		
Current assets:		
Deposit *(Note 3)*		$ 989,170
Interest receivable		141,336
	Total general fund	1,130,506
Equipment		635
		1,131,141
Endowment fund: *(Note 4)*		
Deposit *(Note 3)*		4,500,000
		$5,631,141

Liabilities and Equity		
General Fund:		
Current liabilities:		
Grants payable		$ 95,063
Accounts payable		4,063
		99,126
Equity:		
Surplus		1,032,015
	Total general fund	1,131,141
Endowment fund:		
Equity		4,500,000
		$5,631,141

Approved on behalf of the Foundation:

Chairman *Vice-Chairman*

The accompanying notes are part of these financial statements.

Statement of Income and Surplus

For the period November 13, 1984 to March 31, 1985

Revenue	
Western Canada Lottery Alberta Division	$1,000,000
Interest	172,981
	1,172,981
Expenditure	
Grants	95,063
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	30,668
Advertising and printing	5,067
Office supplies and expenses	3,479
Travel	2,203
Maintenance of office premises	2,125
Board members' fees and expenses	1,985
Parking	195
Miscellaneous	181
	140,966
Net income for the period, and surplus	$1,032,015

Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 **Authority**

The Wild Rose Foundation operates under the authority of the Wild Rose Foundation Act, Chapter W-7.8, Statutes of Alberta 1984.

Note 2 **Significant Accounting Policies**

General:

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles except that no depreciation has been taken for the current period.

Changes in Financial Position:

A statement of changes in financial position is not provided as disclosure in these financial statements is considered to be adequate.

Note 3 **Deposit**

Deposit consists of deposit in the Consolidated Cash Investment Trust Fund of the Province of Alberta. Interest is earned on the daily balance in the fund at the average rate of interest earned on fund investments.

Note 4 **Endowment Fund**

The Foundation has adopted a policy whereby the initial contribution of $4,500,000 received from the Western Canada Lottery Alberta Division is to be held in an endowment fund and only the interest earned thereon will be brought into income. This endowment fund is not available to The Wild Rose Foundation for use in its normal operations unless approved by the Minister.

Note 5 **Lease Agreement**

As at July 5, 1985, the Foundation has not finalized the lease agreement with the landlord. Pursuant to the proposed leasing agreement, the Foundation will have a rent-free period from January 1, 1985 to September 30, 1986. Monthly lease payments of $2,208 will commence from October 1, 1986 for 39 months.

Note 6 **Approval of Financial Statments**

These financial statements were approved by management.